



Education E-Newsletter, February 2013
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News

Don't be a drip – Fix a Leak Week is March 18-24. Leaks account for approximately 1 trillion gallons of water wasted in the United States each year. Help your students and their families learn how to use water more efficiently during *Fix a Leak Week*, March 18-24. The Environmental Protection Agency has put together a few classroom activities for children in grades 3-5. You can download the Teacher's Guide to the activities and the student worksheets from: <http://dnr.wi.gov/org/caer/ce/eeek/teacher/leakweek.htm>

Sixth Wisconsin Citizen-based Monitoring Conference will be held on April 5-6 at the Hotel Mead in Wisconsin Rapids. For more information, go to:
<http://wiatri.net/cbm/Conference/>

Get Out Your Markers - Invasive Species Awareness Month (ISAM) poster contest for 4th-5th graders is now open. *Protect the Places Where You Play – Keep Invasives Out!* is the theme for this year's ISAM poster contest. Application deadline: April 29. Visit the EEK!-Environmental Education for Kids ISAM Teacher Page <http://dnr.wi.gov/eeek/teacher/isamcontest.htm> for more information and contest rules. The contest is sponsored by the Wisconsin Invasive Species Council, Department of Natural Resources and Invasive Plants Association of Wisconsin.

2014 Wisconsin State Park Sticker Design Contest is accepting submissions. Wisconsin state park and forest annual vehicle admission stickers are designed by high school students chosen in a statewide contest. The design contest, sponsored by the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources, is open to all high school age students attending public, private, or parochial schools in Wisconsin.

Entries for the 2014 sticker design contest are being accepted now through April 17, 2013. For more information, visit: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/parks/contests.html>

Educational Opportunities

Angler education workshops:

Oconomowoc, Saturday, April 13, 2013

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Indian Mound Scout Reservation, BSA

37612 Indian Mound Road

Oconomowoc WI 53066

Directions [exit DNR] (Caution: do not rely on GPS; follow the map like a good scout.)

Registration Deadline: Download the registration form

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/documents/anglereducation/ScoutCampWorkshopRegistration2013.pdf> complete and return by **March 22, 2013**.

Audience: Camp directors and staff. (Adults who work with youth outside of scouting are also welcome to attend.) Join the Three Harbors Boy Scout Council at camp and pick up resources to help Scouts work toward their fishing and other conservation-related badges. Come role play and practice-teach fishing-related skills including: fish identification; knot tying; casting; and fish handling (if we're lucky!) This workshop will also include a fly fishing component. Contact Kim Anderson 608-261-6431

Shorewood (north of Milwaukee)

Thursday, May 23, 2013

4 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Shorewood High School - Room TBA

1701 E. Capitol Drive

Shorewood WI 53211

Registration Deadline: Download the registration form

<http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/fishing/documents/anglereducation/ShorewoodHighWorkshopRegistration2013.pdf> complete and return by **May 15, 2013**.

Audience: Open to all adults interested in offering a recreational fishing program. Join the Shorewood Recreation Department and the Milwaukee County Office for Persons with Disabilities at this workshop. The workshop will focus on youth and families in summer recreation programs, but ideas can be adapted for adult learn-to-fish programs. Tips for including people with disabilities in your community fishing program will be offered. Pick up ideas about adaptive fishing techniques that you can use in your community fishing programs. Role play and practice-teach fishing-related skills including: fish identification; knot tying; casting; and more! Contact Kim Anderson 608-261-6431.